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A handbook for

CANDIDATES & POLITICAL COMMITTEES

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at Midnight

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November 7, 2000

Registration closes - October 9, 2000
at Midnight

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PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE ELECTION

February 22, 2000
Registration closes January 24, 2000 at midnight

PRIMARY ELECTION

September 12, 2000
Registration closes August 14, 2000 at midnight

GENERAL ELECTION

November 7, 2000
Registration closes October 9, 2000 at midnight

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE ELECTION PARTISAN CANDIDATE FILING

First date to file: December 14, 1999
Last day to file: January 13, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

BALLOT ORDER DRAWING BY LOT

January 14, 2000 at 9:00 a.m.

PARTISAN CANDIDATE NOMINATION PETITIONS

Petition signature requirements will be available after March 1, 2000

First day to file: May 15, 2000
Last day to file: June 14, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

"NOMINATION OTHER THAN BY PRIMARY" CANDIDATE NOMINATION PETITIONS

First day to file: May 15, 2000
Last day to file: June 14, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

NEW PARTY PETITIONS

Number of signatures required: 13,569
First day to file: May 30, 2000
Last day to file: June 29, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

Primary Election: File not later than August 29, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.
General Election: File not later than October 24, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT - JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS FILING

First day to file for retention: August 9, 2000
Last day to file for retention: September 8, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

CONSTITUTIONAL & INITIATIVE PETITIONS

Last day to file petitions:	July 6, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.	
Signatures required for:	Initiative measures	101,762
	Constitutional Amendments	152,643

REFERENDUM PETITIONS

Signatures required:	50,881
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ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST BALLOT MEASURES

Last day to file:	July 14, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.
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<u>OFFICIAL CANVASS OF PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE ELECTION</u>	March 6, 2000
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<u>OFFICIAL CANVASS OF PRIMARY ELECTION</u>	September 25, 2000
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<u>OFFICIAL CANVASS OF GENERAL ELECTION</u>	November 27, 2000
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CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING DATES**
Pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 16-913(B), (C) and 16-916(D):

NAME OF REPORT	TIME PERIOD COVERED IN REPORT	REPORT DUE BETWEEN
January 31 report	Nov 24, 1998 through Dec 31, 1999	Jan 3 and Jan 31, 2000
June 30 report	Jan 1, 2000 through May 31, 2000	June 1 and June 30, 2000
Pre-Primary report	June 1, 2000 through Aug 23, 2000	Aug 24 and Aug 31, 2000
Post-Primary report	Aug 24, 2000 through Oct 2, 2000	Oct 3 and Oct 12, 2000
Pre-General report	Oct 3, 2000 through Oct 18, 2000	Oct 19 and Oct 26, 2000
Post-General report	Oct 19, 2000 through Nov 27, 2000	Nov 28 and Dec 7, 2000

***This table does not include additional filing deadlines provided for by the Citizens Clean Elections Act. Please see Title 16, Chapter 6, Article 2, available from the Secretary of State's Office and materials provided by the Citizens Clean Elections Commission.*

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VOTER REGISTRATION

A. Qualifications

Every resident of the state is qualified to register to vote if the resident:

1. Is a citizen of the United States.
2. Will be eighteen years of age or more on or before the date of the next regular General Election (November 7, 2000).
3. Will have been a resident of the state 29 days next preceding the election except as provided in A.R.S. § 16-126.
4. Is able to write the person's name or mark, unless prevented from so doing by physical disability.
5. Has not been convicted of treason or a felony, unless restored to civil rights.
6. Has not been adjudicated an incapacitated person as defined in A.R.S. § 14-5101.

B. Registration

1. How to Register to Vote

Arizona residents may register to vote in person at their county recorder's office or by mail. Forms are available at government offices and public locations throughout the state or may be requested from County Recorders' offices or the Secretary of State's Office. Voters may obtain a voter registration form from the Secretary of State's Office by calling the Voter Registration Hotline **1-877-THE VOTE** (1-877-843-8683) or from the website www.sosaz.com.

If a person is unable to complete a registration form, another person may assist in completing the form. The person assisting must also sign the registration form on the line provided at the bottom of the form.

A voter registration which is returned to the recorder by mail will entitle a voter to vote in an election if it complies with either of the following:

1. The form is postmarked 29 days or more before an election *and* is received by the County Recorder by 7:00 p.m. on the day of that election; *or*
2. The registration form is dated 29 days or more before an election and is received by the County Recorder within 5 days after the last day to register to vote in that election.

Any qualified person temporarily absent from the state may register by filling out a mail-in registration form and sending it to the County Recorder of the voter's county of residence.

2. Uniformed Services and Overseas Voters

Arizona residents in the military, their spouses and eligible dependents *stationed outside the state* may register up until election day. Their registrations must be returned to the County Recorder's office of their county of residence by 7:00 p.m. on election day.

County Recorders are listed on page 17 of this booklet.

C. Voter Registration Deadlines

Voters must register 29 days before election day to be eligible to vote in the election. The last days to register for the year 2000 elections are as follows:

Presidential Preference Election	January 24, 2000 at midnight
Primary Election:	August 14, 2000 at midnight
General Election:	October 9, 2000 at midnight

D. Voter Information Changes

The following voters must fill out a new voter registration form and file it with their County Recorder before the registration deadline expires:

- A voter who moves within Arizona from one county to another county
- A registered voter desiring to change political party
- A registered voter whose name has changed, resulting either from a court order or marriage.

E. Change of Address Within the County — New Residence Ballots

Voters who move from the address at which they are registered to another address *within the same county* and who do not notify the County Recorder of the change of address before the date of an election shall be permitted to vote at the polling place for the voter's new address. These voters will fill out a form to update their voter registration records at the new polling place.

These voters will be asked to present a form of identification that includes the voter's given name and surname and the voter's complete residence address, which must be located within the precinct where the voter is attempting to vote. For voters who live in a rural county, whose only form of identification shows a post office box or directions to their residence, an oral inquiry shall be made regarding their residence location to determine whether the voters are eligible to vote in the precinct where they attempting to vote. An election official shall confirm that the addresses of the voters are located within the precinct where they are attempting to vote. Each voter shall affirm in writing the new residence address and shall be permitted to vote a "*New Residence Ballot*."

EARLY VOTING

A. On-Site Early Voting

Any registered voter may vote early in Arizona elections. There is no need to show a justification for voting early, as there was under the old "absentee voting" system. Beginning 33 days before election day and up until 5:00 p.m. on the 2nd Friday before the election, a voter may vote early in person at the County Recorder's office or at on-site voting locations designated by the County Recorder. A.R.S. § 16-542(D).

The early voting date for the Presidential Preference Election begins 15 days before the date of the election and ends at 5:00 p.m. on the Friday before the election. A.R.S. § 16-246.

B. Early Voting by Mail

A voter may also vote early by mail. An elector may make an oral or signed request to the County Recorder for an official early ballot 93 days before an election. If the request is oral (in person or by telephone), the requesting elector shall provide the date of birth and state or country of birth or other information that if compared to the voter registration information on file will confirm the identity of the elector. Requests in writing should include name and address as registered, birth date, election for which ballot is requested, address where ballot is to be mailed and signature of the requestor.

Early ballots will be counted if returned to the County Recorder or other officer in charge of elections by 7:00 p.m. on election day. County Recorders' offices will remain open until 7:00 p.m. on election day to accept early ballots. Early ballots may also be dropped off at *any* polling place in the voter's county of residence no later than 7:00 p.m. on election day.

C. Emergency Voting

Emergency early voting is permitted if an unforeseen circumstance occurs which would prevent an elector from voting at the polling place. Voters should contact their County Recorder for the procedure for emergency early voting between 5:00 p.m. on the 2nd Friday before the election and the Monday before election day.

D. Requesting a Primary Election Early Ballot — Open Primary

Voters who are registered as independent, no party preference or with a non-recognized political party, who wish to vote early in a Primary Election, must identify one ballot of a recognized political party they wish to vote when requesting an early ballot. A.R.S. § 16-542. Voters who are registered with a recognized political party will receive an early ballot for their political party.

E. Uniformed Services and Overseas Voters

Any absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter as defined in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986 (P.L. 99-410; 42 United States Code Section 1973ff) may request an early ballot with a federal postcard application that contains both an early voter registration application and an early ballot application.

A request for an official early ballot from an absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter, as defined in the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986 (P.L. 99-410; 42 United States Code Section 1973ff), is valid if it is received by the County Recorder or other officer in charge of elections anytime during the 90 days preceding the election.

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

A. 2000 Elections — Federal and State Offices

Offices to be elected	Terms of office	Number of seats to be Elected
United States Senator	6 years	1
United States Representative in Congress	2 years	6
Corporation Commissioner	6 years (<i>term ends Monday, January 1, 2007</i>)	1
	4 year term remainder (<i>term ends Monday, January 3, 2005</i>)	1
State Senator	2 years	30
State Representative	2 years	60

B. Open Primary System

Arizona's Open Primary Law allows voters registered as independent, no party preference or members of a party without ballot recognition to vote in the partisan Primary of their choice of one of the recognized political parties. Ariz. Const., art. VII, § 10. Only names of candidates of "recognized" parties appear on a Presidential Preference or Primary Election ballot. Voters registered in these parties may vote only the Primary Election ballot for their political party. A.R.S. § 16-467(B).

Recognized parties are parties which have achieved Primary ballot status through the petition process pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 16-244, 16-801, 16-802, and 16-803 or by qualifying for continued representation on the Primary Election ballot through ballots cast or voter registration, as provided in A.R.S. § 16-804. New political parties' status will be determined by the petition process in June, 2000.

C. Legal Requirements for Candidate Campaign Advertisements, Literature and Signs

"Disclosure" means disclosing who paid for the advertisement, literature or signs. For written materials, the disclosure must be printed "clearly and legibly in a conspicuous manner." For broadcast advertisements, the disclosure must be spoken. A.R.S. § 16-912(D).

1. When disclosure is required

Campaign literature or advertisements paid for by any political committee must disclose in the literature or advertisement:

- whether authorized or paid for by a candidate or his/her committee or an agent of either *[see exceptions for signs and small items, listed below]*
- if not authorized by a candidate or the candidate's committee or agent, the name of the political committee that paid and the chairperson's name and telephone number.

A.R.S. § 16-912(A).

If the literature or advertisements were paid for by a political committee as an *independent expenditure* [see A.R.S. § 16-901(14) for definition], the following must be disclosed:

- the name of the political committee that paid, the chairperson's name and telephone number
- a statement that the literature or advertisement is not authorized by any candidate or candidate's campaign committee
- the names and telephone numbers of the three individuals and political committees making the largest contributions to the political committee making the independent expenditure
- the name of any sponsoring organization of the committee, if an acronym is used to name a committee.

A.R.S. § 16-912.

2. When disclosure is not required

An individual, acting alone, may post signs on the individual's property regarding any political issue or in support of or opposition to any candidate, or mail political materials without disclosure of who paid for the signs. *McIntyre v. Ohio Elections Commission*, 514 U.S. 334 (1995).

Signs that are paid for by a *candidate's* campaign committee are not required to include disclosure of who paid for them. A.R.S. § 16-912(C).

Bumper stickers, pins, buttons, pens and similar small items that are too small to contain a disclosure of who paid for them are also exempt for the disclosure requirement. A.R.S. § 16-912(C).

The organizers of a separate segregated fund, set up pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 16-920 and 16-921, may solicit contributions from its members, employees, stockholders, etc., without a disclosure of who paid for the solicitation. A.R.S. § 16-912(C).

3. Criminal penalties

It is a Class 2 misdemeanor to remove, alter, deface or cover any candidate's political signs from 45 days before the Primary Election to 7 days after the General Election. Exception: If a sign is posted on private property, the property owner or an agent of the property owner is permitted to remove the signs at any time, regardless of whether the owner gave permission to post the signs. A.R.S. § 16-1019.

➔ Disclosure laws differ for ballot measures. *See Title 19, Arizona Revised Statutes.*

D. Presidential Electors

The state chairman of a political party that is qualified for representation appoints candidates for the office of Presidential Elector equal to the number of United States Senators and Representatives in Congress from Arizona. Each candidate for the office of Presidential Elector shall file a nomination paper and affidavit of qualification at the same time other partisan candidates file their nomination papers.

1. Nomination Paper

Presidential Elector candidates must file a nomination paper giving the candidate's residence address, mailing address, political party and stating their candidacy for the office of Presidential Elector. The nomination paper should include the exact manner in which the candidate's name is to be printed on the official ballot, and the date of the General Election. A.R.S. §§ 16-311(G), 16-344.

2. Affidavit of Qualification

Presidential Electors file an affidavit including facts sufficient to show that the candidate resides in the state and will be qualified at the time of the election to hold the office of Presidential Elector. A.R.S. § 16-344(A)

→ The Nomination paper and Affidavit of Qualification are combined in one document, which is available at the Secretary of State's Office.

E. Forms that Candidates Must File

Candidates must file required documents on time or their names will not appear on the ballot. A.R.S. §§ 16-311(H), 16-312(B), 16-341(H).

Candidates are prohibited from filing documents to run for more than one office at the same election if they cannot serve in both positions. A.R.S. § 38-296.01.

1. Petition

The nomination petition form is prescribed by statute and is available from the Secretary of State's Office. Nomination petitions may be circulated at any time during the election cycle. Signature requirements are determined after the voter registration figures on March 1 of the election year have been calculated.

The petition caption must be in substantially the same language as the Secretary of State's sample petition forms. A photograph of the candidate may appear on the nomination petition. The signature portion, circulator instructions and statement must be in the form provided by law. A.R.S. § 16-314.

a. Circulators

Nomination petition circulators must be eligible to register to vote. A.R.S. §§ 16-315(B), 16-321(B). They are not required to be actually registered, a member of the candidate's political party or a voter in the district the candidate proposes to represent.

b. Signers

Individuals who sign partisan nomination petitions must be qualified to vote for the candidate. A.R.S. § 16-322. Under Arizona's Open Primary Law, A.R.S. § 16-467(B), individuals who are eligible to vote for the candidate include voters who are registered as:

- members of the candidate's political party
- independents
- no party preference
- members of non-recognized political parties.

2. Nomination Paper

A Primary Election candidate must file a nomination paper at the time of filing nomination petitions. The nomination paper must state the candidate's residence address, mailing address, political party, the office and district or precinct, the exact manner in which the candidate's name is to be printed on the official ballot, and the date of the Primary and General Elections. A candidate at the Primary Election for a political party must be a qualified elector of the political party. A.R.S. § 16-311(A).

At the time of filing, a candidate for public office must be a qualified elector and must reside in the county, district or precinct which the candidate proposes to represent. Ariz. Const., art. VII, § 15; A.R.S. § 16-311(A).

A candidate's name, as it appears on the official ballot, is limited to the candidate's surname (last name) and given name or names (first name). Abbreviated versions of names, initials or nicknames are permissible. Quotation marks are permitted. A nickname may not suggest reference to professional, fraternal, religious or military titles. The candidate's last name is printed first. A.R.S. § 16-311(G).

3. Affidavit of Qualification

A candidate must file with the nomination paper an affidavit printed on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State. The affidavit must include facts sufficient to show that, other than the residency requirement, the candidate will be qualified at the time of election to hold the office sought. A.R.S. § 16-311 (D).

4. Campaign Finance Laws Statement

Candidates must sign and file a statement that they have read all applicable laws relating to campaign financing and reporting. This requirement does not apply to candidates for federal office. A.R.S. § 16-905 (K)(5).

➔ **The candidate's nomination paper, affidavit of qualification and campaign finance laws statement are combined in one document, which is available at the Secretary of State's office or the county elections office. A similar form for federal candidates is available from the Secretary of State's office.**

5. Financial Disclosure Statement

At the time the nomination papers are filed, a candidate for public office must file a personal financial disclosure statement on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State. A.R.S. § 38-542.

"Public Officer" means a member of the legislature and any judge of the court of appeals and the superior court, or a person holding an elective office, the constituency of which embraces the entire geographical limits of the State of Arizona. Candidates for federal offices are exempt from compliance with Arizona's campaign finance and personal financial disclosure requirements. A.R.S. § 38-541(8).

6. Optional Statement on Recall (Federal Candidates Only)

Prior to a Primary or other election, candidates for the office of United States Senator or Representative in Congress have the option of filing with the Secretary of State a statement addressed to the people of the state agreeing to resign if not re-elected on a recall vote. The Secretary of State shall give the statement to the public press. A.R.S. § 19-221.

F. Signature Requirements for Candidates

Signature requirements for candidates are based upon the number of registered voters on March 1, 2000. A.R.S. § 16-322(B).

→Signature requirements will be posted on the Secretary of State's website, www.sosaz.com, sometime in late March 2000, after the Secretary of State's office receives the final voter registration numbers from each county.

1. Recognized Parties' Candidates

The signature requirement is based on a percentage of voters registered in the applicable district in the candidate's party as reported pursuant to A.R.S. § 16-168(G). A.R.S. § 16-322.

- Candidates for the offices of United States Senator or for a statewide office must submit signatures equal to at least $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% of the qualified registered voters in at least 3 counties in the state, but no less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% nor more than 10% of the voter registration of the candidate's party in the state.
- Candidates for United States Representative in Congress must submit signatures equal to at least $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% of the qualified registered voters, but not more than 10%.
- Candidates for the office of State Representative or State Senator must submit signatures equal to at least 1% of eligible voters, but not more than 3%.

Signature requirements for other offices are found in A.R.S. § 16-322.

2. New Parties' Candidates

The signature requirement for new party candidates is at least $\frac{1}{10}$ of 1% (.01%) of the total vote for the winning candidate for Governor or candidates for Presidential Electors at the last General Election within the district. A.R.S. § 16-322 (C).

3. Independent or Third Party Candidates

The signature requirement is 3% of the qualified electors of the state, county, subdivision or district for which the candidate is nominated who are not members of a political party that is qualified to be represented by an official party ballot at the next ensuing Primary Election and accorded representation on the General Election ballot.

The percentage necessary to sign the nomination petition shall be determined by the total number of registered voters from other than members of a political party that is qualified to be represented by an official party ballot at the next ensuing Primary Election and accorded representation on the General Election ballot at the last General Election. A.R.S. § 16-341.

G. Deadline to File Nomination Papers

All candidates who desire to have their names printed on the Primary and/or General Election ballots must file the required forms between May 15 and June 14, 2000 at 5:00 p.m. This deadline applies to candidates who are registered members of parties that hold Primary Elections, candidates from other parties and candidates who run as independents whose names appear only on the General Election ballot. A.R.S. §§ 16-311, 16-341.

For candidates who wish to participate in the Presidential Preference Election, please see the Secretary of State's Presidential Preference 2000 Handbook.

H. Justices of the Supreme Court and Judges of the Court of Appeals Deadline to File for Retention

Justices and judges who desire to be retained in office must file a declaration of their intent with the Secretary of State's office between August 9 and September 8, 2000. Justices and judges must also file a personal financial disclosure statement and a statement that they have read Arizona's campaign finance laws. Ariz. Const, art. VI, § 38.

I. Where to File Nomination Papers

Candidates for the offices of United States Senator, United States Representative in Congress, Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State Treasurer, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Corporation Commissioner, State Mine Inspector, State Senator and State Representative file their nomination papers with the office of the Secretary of State. A.R.S. § 16-311.

Candidates for Superior Court Judge, county, district and precinct offices file with the County Election Official in the appropriate county. County Election Officials are listed on page 18 of this booklet.

J. Write-in Candidates

1. Filing Requirements

No later than 14 days prior to the Primary or General Election, a write-in candidate must file all the documents that are required for other candidates, except nomination petitions. Candidates for federal offices are exempt from compliance with Arizona's campaign finance and personal financial disclosure requirements. A.R.S. §§ 16-312, 38-541(8).

Only candidates who file complete, timely documents will be considered "official write-in candidates." Only official write-in candidates will have their names posted in the polling places and their votes counted.

2. Number of Votes Required for Election

A write-in candidate for a party entitled to continued representation on the ballot will not be issued a certificate of nomination unless the candidate receives a number of votes equivalent to at least the same number of signatures required by A.R.S. § 16-322 for nominating petitions for the same office. A.R.S. § 16-645(E).

A write-in candidate for a new party will not be issued a certificate of nomination unless the candidate receives a plurality of the votes of the party for the office sought. A.R.S. § 16-645(D).

3. Ineligibility

A person cannot run as a write-in candidate in the General Election if the person ran for the same office in the immediately preceding Primary Election and failed to be nominated A.R.S. § 16-312(D).

A candidate whose nomination petitions are successfully challenged for lack of a sufficient number of signatures cannot run as a write-in candidate for the same office. A.R.S. § 16-312(D).

Primary Election Deadline for Write- in Candidates
General Election Deadline for Write-in Candidates

August 29, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.
October 24, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

CANDIDATE QUALIFICATIONS

A. Federal Candidates

Offices	Qualifications
United States Senator	United States citizen for at least 9 years At least 30 years of age Inhabitant of Arizona when elected
United States Representative in Congress	United States citizen for at least 7 years At least 25 years of age Inhabitant of Arizona when elected

B. Statewide and Legislative Candidates

Office	Qualifications
Governor* Secretary of State* State Treasurer* Superintendent of Public Instruction*	United States citizen for 10 years Arizona resident for 5 years At least 25 years of age
Attorney General*	United States citizen for 10 years Arizona resident for 5 years At least 25 years of age
Corporation Commissioner	United States citizen Arizona resident At least 18 years of age See also A.R.S. § 40-101
State Mine Inspector*	United States citizen Arizona resident for 2 years At least 30 years of age See also A.R.S. § 27-121
State Senator State Representative	United States citizen Arizona resident for 3 years County resident for 1 year At least 25 years of age

* These offices will not be on the ballot until the year 2002.

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM MEASURES
Article IV, Part 1, Arizona Constitution; Title 19, Arizona Revised Statutes

A. Initiative

Arizona's registered voters may propose new laws, amend existing laws or propose constitutional amendments through the initiative petition process. Before the petition is printed and signatures collected, an application for a petition serial number along with a 100-word description and the complete text of the measure must be filed with the Secretary of State on a prescribed form. A.R.S. §§ 19-102, 19-111. Signatures obtained before the filing of the committee's statement of organization are void and shall not be counted in determining the legal sufficiency of the petition. A.R.S. §§ 19-111(C), 19-114(B).

If the proponents file enough signatures on the initiative petitions, the measure will be placed on the ballot to be voted upon by the people at the next General Election. Forms, sample petitions and Title 19, Arizona Revised Statutes (the laws that govern the initiative process), are available upon request from the Secretary of State's office.

Number of Signatures Required:	Initiative Measure	101,762
	Constitutional Amendment	152,643

Filing Deadline: July 6, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

B. Referendum

Arizona's registered voters may circulate a petition to refer to the voters a measure or part of a measure passed by the legislature. An application for a referendum petition serial number along with a 100-word description and a copy of the measure must be filed with the Secretary of State before the circulation of the petition. A.R.S. §§ 19-101, 19-111. Signatures obtained prior to the filing of the committee's statement of organization are void and shall not be counted in determining the legal sufficiency of the petition. A.R.S. §§ 19-111(C), 19-114(B).

If the proponents file enough signatures on the initiative petitions, the measure will be placed on the ballot to be voted upon by the people at the next General Election. Forms, sample petitions and Title 19, Arizona Revised Statutes (the laws that govern the referendum process), are available upon request from the Secretary of State's office.

Number of Signatures Required: 50,881

Filing Deadline: 90 days after *sine die* — the close of the legislative session at which the measure was passed -- at 5 00 p.m.

C. Ballot Measure Arguments

Any person or organization may file an argument advocating or opposing a measure referred to the ballot by initiative or referendum petition or by the legislature. The arguments for and against each measure will be included in the Publicity Pamphlet published and distributed by the Secretary of State before the statewide General Election. The deadline for filing arguments is 60 days before the Primary Election. A.R.S. § 19-124.

Each argument must:

- not exceed 300 words in length
- be signed by the person or the officers of the organization supporting it
- provide the residence or post office address and telephone number of each person signing the argument
- be accompanied by a fee of **\$100** per argument.

Argument Filing Deadline:

July 14, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.

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CANDIDATE FILING CHECK-LIST

The candidate filing period begins **May 15, 2000 at 8:00 a.m.** and ends **June 14, 2000 at 5:00 p.m.** Candidates (or their representatives) must present ALL of the necessary paperwork at one time. Candidates will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. The Secretary of State's staff processes all nominating papers presented before 5:00 p.m. the same day they are brought in. Please be prepared to wait into the evening, if necessary. Avoid the wait by filing early in the period.

Necessary Paperwork

1. Nomination Paper, Affidavit of Qualification and Campaign Finance Laws Statement

(All three of these are on the same one-page form)

- ☐ Make sure to answer every question and fill in every blank.
- ☐ Write the candidate's name exactly how he or she wants it to be printed on the ballot. The candidate's last name must appear first. Nicknames are permissible as long as they do not suggest a title.
- ☐ The candidate must sign the form and have the signature notarized*

2. Financial Disclosure Statement

- ☐ Covers preceding 12-month period
- ☐ The candidate must sign the form and have the signature notarized*
 - ☐ Candidates for federal offices are exempt from compliance with Arizona's personal financial disclosure requirements. A.R.S. § 38-541(8).

3. Nomination petitions

- ☐ The candidate must file at least the minimum number of signatures required for the office sought and no more than the maximum number. If there are too few, the Secretary of State cannot accept the nomination papers.
- ☐ Check to see that the circulator portion of each petition is complete:
 - ☐ Did the circulator print his or her name, residence address, city or town, and county on the back of each petition?
 - ☐ Did the circulator sign the back of each petition?
- ☐ Check to see that the signature portion of each petition is complete:
 - ☐ Is there a date for each signature?
 - ☐ Is there a residence address including city or town, or a description of the residence location, for each signature?
- ☐ Please sort the petitions by county. Statewide candidates must file the minimum number of signatures required statewide, AND the minimum number of signatures required in at least 3 counties.

4. Statement of Organization OR \$500 Threshold Exception Statement.

If it has not already been filed, a Statement of Organization registering the *candidate's campaign committee* OR a \$500 Threshold Exception Statement must be filed. If the candidate has an exploratory committee, then the candidate, chairman and treasurer must file an amended Statement of Organization to change the committee to a candidate's campaign committee.

Optional Paperwork

Statement on Recall

This is an optional form that federal candidates may file.

* The Secretary of State's staff will notarize forms, free of charge, if the signer presents picture identification. Blank forms are available at the Secretary of State's office.

2000 CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTING DATES CHECK-OFF LIST

pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 16-913(B),(C) and 16-916(D)

Use the following check-off list to mark reports as you file them during the election year:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> January 31 report | Due between Jan 3 and Jan 31, 2000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 30 report | Due between June 1 and June 30, 2000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Primary report | Due between Aug 24 and Aug 31, 2000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Post-Primary report | Due between Oct 3 and Oct 12, 2000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-General report | Due between Oct 19 and Oct 26, 2000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Post-General report | Due between Nov 28 and Dec 7, 2000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional reports may be required by the Citizens Clean Elections Act. Please contact the Citizens Clean Election Commission at (602) 263-4768 or Fax number (602) 263-4784. The Citizens Clean Election Commission office is located at 2929 North Central Avenue, Suite 1500, Room 16, Phoenix, Arizona 85012. | |

Federal Candidates

Federal candidates should contact the Federal Elections Commission at **1-800-424-9530** or visit the Commission's website at www.fec.gov for further information regarding federal campaign finance reporting requirements and other federal reporting requirements.